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**BRENNA** 



### **Education**

UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA

Master of Education Specialization in Teaching and Learning

Master of Education | 2021-2022

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY
BFA, Art History and Studio Arts with Distinction\*
Bachelor of Art History & Studio Arts | 2018 - 2020

# ALGOMA UNIVERSITY

Psychology and Visual Arts Named on the Dean's List for Academic Excellence in 2017. Bachelor of Arts | 2016-2018

CANADORE COLLEGE
2 Year Diploma in Recreation Therapy
Therapeutic Recreation | 2008-2010

### Certifications

Tri-Council Policy Statement: Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans Course on Research Ethics (TCPS 2: CORE)

Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Program from the Crisis Prevention Institute

Dementia Capable Care

Gentle Persuasive Approach

Geriatrics Inter-professional Practice and Inter-organization Collaboration (GiiC) Theory

Level A NCCP Sport Competition Coaching Course Directions in Diversity - Inclusion

Level 1 - An Introduction to Promoting Access, Awareness and Adapted Activities Class

# **Boards & Committees**

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee - City of Sault Ste Marie - 2023 - 2025

Cultural Vitality Committee.- City of Sault Ste Marie - 2023-2025



# **Awards**

2023/24 Salt Spring National Art Prize, Finalist

Recipient of The Dr. Robert V. d'Amato Student Award in 2018 for outstanding academic performance while studying English, Fine Arts or Music at Algoma University.

Dean's Honor List 2016-2017 awarded for outstanding academic performance at Algoma University.

Donatello International Art Prize, Florence Italy, Awarded for artistic merit by Art Curators Salvatore Russo and Francesco Saverio Russo. January 21, 2023.

### **Academic Publications**

"On Decolonizing Perspectives of Art History." Artists Need Art Historians, 3rd Edition, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Annual Digital Publication, May, 2021.

"The Commodification of the Spectacle." Concordia Undergraduate Journal of Art History, Annual Publication, 16th edition, April, 2020, p.70-74.

### **Grants**

FASA Concordia: Individual Special Project Grant, November 2019

CCSL Special Projects Funding Grant, April 2020

# **Publications**

Headlight Anthology" Elevated, 22nd Edition, Concordia University's Graduate Department of English Literature, December, 2022.

Art Girl Rising, Digital Database https://www.wherearethewomenartists.com/artists/brenna-tomas/

"Without A Crown" Volume VIII, 8th Edition, January 2021, Poland.

"Art and Poetry by Brenna Tomas" *SCORNED*, 2nd Edition, CJLO Women's + Collective, Annual Publication, p.20-22, 2020.

Publications continued CV

Contemporary Celebrity Masters, 1st Edition, Florence Italy, Published by Art Curators Salvatore Russo and Francesco Saverio Russo. January 21, 2023.

"Duality" Issue 4. Humankind Zine. 2022. "Without A Crown" Volume VIII, 8th Edition, January 2021, Poland.

The Central Dissent: The Journal of Gender and Sexuality, New Plains Publishing, Image: lady in red, The University of Central Oklahoma, 2023

# **Symposiums**

Intercollegiate Undergraduate Art History Symposium: Artists Need Art Historians, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, April 17th, 2021.

# **Exhibitions**

Salt Spring National Art Prize, Exhibition September 22-October 23, 2023. British Columbia, Canada.

"Florence Biennale Art and Design" October 14-22, 2023, Florence Italy.

"PUSH/PULL" 2nd Edition, Intoto Virtual, Digital Exhibition Curated by Ivy Brennemen, Aug 2nd-Sept 26th 2020 Art Girl Rising, Digital Database

"Headlight Anthology" Elevated, 22nd Edition, Concordia University's Graduate Department of English Literature, 2020.

"Art and Poetry by Brenna Tomas" SCORNED, 2nd Edition, CJLO Women's + Collective, Annual Publication, p.20-22, 2020.

"The Winter Festival of Art", Art Gallery of Algoma — Sault Ste Marie, Ontario FEBRUARY 2020 - MARCH 2020

"Performance Soiree" Art Matters x VAV Gallery, Montreal, Canada JANUARY 31st, 2020

"The Winter Festival of Art", Art Gallery of Algoma — Sault Ste Marie, Ontario FEBRUARY 2019 - MARCH 2019

"Responding to Site with Actions", Communaute Milton Parc — Montreal, Quebec NOVEMBER 23-30, 2018 "Art Public Milton Parc", Communaute Milton Parc — Montreal, Quebec OCTOBER 16, 2018



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"Northern Vibe Festival", Installation Artist — Echo Bay Ontario AUGUST 24-25, 2018 & AUGUST 25-27, 2017

"Up Here Festival 3 &4", Assistant to Design Lead— Sudbury, Ontario AUGUST 17-18, 2018 & AUGUST 17-20, 2017

"Brenna Tomas: Art On Display", Fringe North International Theatre Festival— Windsor Hotel, Sault Ste Marie, Ontario AUGUST 9-19, 2018

"Bright Night", The Speakeasy — Sault Ste Marie, Ontario FEBRUARY 15th, 2018

"Transcendence", Gallery 180 Projects— Sault Ste Marie, Ontario MARCH 2, 2018 "

"Monochrome", Gallery 180 Projects— Sault Ste Marie, Ontario NOVEMBER 22, 2017

"Our Embodiment", Gallery 180 Projects— Sault Ste Marie, Ontario FEBRUARY 10 - 15, 2017

"The Big Picture", Sandrine Pelissier— Vancouver, Canada 2017

# Work Experience

Algoma Family Services - Virtual Youth Hub Coordinator. The Northern Outlet. Contract: January 11, 2021-March 31, 2021 Organize work plan, Gantt chart and task lists for prototype and launch of Virtual Youth Hub community initiative. Develop social media, analytics and key indicators for outreach and program engagement. Coordinate with committee of local stakeholders, facilitate connections between expertise and develop different networks including a community of practice and volunteer team.

Huron Superior Catholic School Board- Non Certified Occasional Teacher OCTOBER 2020 - PRESENT Supervise students and guide learning through curriculums. Deliver a variety of activities and programs aligned with the goals of the Huron Superior Catholic District School board.

Art Gallery of Algoma, Volunteer Public Outreach Coordinator JULY 2020 - OCTOBER 2020 Create content based on the collection at the Art Gallery of Algoma. Plan, organize and deliver different programs for community engagement during the Covid 19 pandemic.



WorldAtlas.com, Weludo, Merit Crowd — Web Content Writer JUNE 2016 - PRESENT Create content based on a variety of subjects. Research and follow the instructions provided for articles, blogs, stories and social media.

Algoma Reads, Algoma University — Programme Development Assistant MAY 2017 - MAY 2018 Algoma Reads is a public outreach initiative that delivered five interdisciplinary public lecture events based on the five Canada Reads books debated on the CBC each year.

Region of Peel, Peel Manor — Activation Therapist APRIL 2011 - DECEMBER 2012 Formulated, implemented, evaluated and modified various individual and group therapeutic modalities which meet the restorative, social, emotional, intellectual, spiritual and physical needs of residents.

FJ Davey Home - Activity Aide APRIL 2006-JUNE 2014 Student Summer Placement and Casual Position working with people to create individualized and personalized programs that are modified for all individuals within the residence.